



## RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL AND FEE AUTHORIZATION

ATTORNEY DOCKET No. 12204/09902		APPLICATION No. 10/632,424		
FILING DATE August 1, 2003	CONFIRMATION NO. 4360	CUSTOMER No. 29937	EXAMINER David Bochna	GROUP ART UNIT 3679
INVENTOR(S): Wade J. WALTERSCHEID and Terry David MANUEL				
TITLE OF INVENTION: CONDUIT COUPLING ASSEMBLY				

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TRANSMITTED HEREWITH FOR THE ABOVE IDENTIFIED  
PATENT APPLICATION IS:

- (A) A response to the Office Action dated: June 15, 2004
- (B) A Petition for Extension of Time
  - for 1 month  for 2 months  for 3 months;
 A Petition for Extension of Time, having been previously filed,
  - for 1 month  for 2 months  for 3 months
- (C) A Notice of Appeal. \$
- (D) An Appellant's Brief on Appeal. \$
- (E) Other: . \$
- (F) A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27
  - Small entity status under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been previously established
- The claims fee, if any, has been calculated as shown below

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September 15, 2004

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	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
TOTAL	39	MINUS	38	1
INDEP.	5	MINUS	4	1

FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM

SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADD'L FEE
x \$9	\$
x \$43	
+ \$145	
TOTAL ADD'L FEE	\$ 0.00

LARGE ENTITY	
RATE	ADD'L FEE
x \$18	\$ 18.00
x \$86	86.00
+ \$290	
TOTAL ADD'L FEE	\$ 104.00

OR

- Please charge \$104.00 to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260, which includes
  - the amount of \$104.00 for the claims fee calculated above AND/OR
  - the amount of \$ for the fee for item(s)  (B)  (C)  (D)  (E)  (F)
- Please charge any additional fees (other than issue fee) required during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 18-1260. Please credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-1260.
- A duplicate copy of this Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization is enclosed.

September 15, 2004

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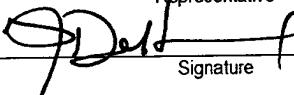


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: CONDUIT COUPLING ASSEMBLY  
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Examiner: David Bochna

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**AMENDMENT**

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated June 15, 2004, which provides for a response period ending September 15, 2004.

**Amendments to the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.

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